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SUBJECT: SONNA REPORTS SENATOR BARTLETT'S DEPARTURE

FOLLOWING IS TEXT SONNA REPORT OF JULY 5 DEPARTURE
SENATOR BARTLETT AND PARTY.

1. QTE U.S. SENATOR DEWEY BARTLETT AND A 14 MAN DELEGATION
HE WAS HEADING LEFT HERE TODAY AFTER A THREE DAY VISIT TO
THE SOMALI DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC. THE SENATOR WAS RECEIVED
THIS MORNING BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SRC JAALLE MAJOR
GENERAL MOHAMED SIYAD BARRE.

B. QTE JAALLE SIYAD TOLD THE AMERICAN DELEGATION THAT,
AS THEY HAVE SEEN WITH THEIR OWN EYES, SOMALIA IS NOW
ENGAGED IN A WAR AGAINST HUNGER WHICH WAS BROUGHT ABOUT BY
THE DROUGHT CALAMITY WHICH HIT EIGHT REGIONS OF THE COUNTRY.

C. QTE THE PRESIDENT SAID THAT, AMONG THE BIG SUCCESSES
OF THE REVOLUTION, IT WAS THE RESTORING OF FULL CONFIDENCE
IN THE PEOPLE'S MINDS THAT PAVED THE WAY FOR THE QUICK
DEVELOPMENT OF THE COUNTRY. JAALLE SIAYD WENT ON TO
SAY THAT THE SOMALI PEOPLE ARE TRADITIONALLY A PEACE
LOVING NATION WHO BELIEVE IN COOPERATION AND UNDER-
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STANDING AONG ALL NATIONS. HE REQUESTED THE SENATOR
TO CONVEY HIS GREETINGS TO U.S. PRESIDENT GERALD FORD,

THE SENATE AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AS A WHOLE.

D. QTE MR. BARTLETT THANKED THE PRESIDENT FOR THE HOSPITALITY ACCORDED HIM AND HIS DELEGATION DURING THEIR SHORT STAY IN THE COUNTRY. HE PRAISED STEPS TAKEN BY THE SOMALI GOVERNMENT IN COUNTER-ACTING THE DROUGHT DISASTER AND THE SUBSEQUENT RESETTLEMENT OF THE PEOPLE HIT BY THIS NATURAL CATASTROPHY.

E. QTE THE SENATOR WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE SAID THAT HE WILL REPORT TO THE SENATE ON HIS VISIT TO THE SOMALI DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC.

F. QTE MR. BARTLETT MADE AN INSPECTION TOUR TO THE NORTHERN PORT OF BERBERA WHERE HE WENT AT THE INVITATION OF THE SOMALI GOVERNMENT TO SEE THAT NO SOVIET MILITARY BASE EXISTS IN THAT AREA, AS CLAIMED BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.

G. QTE AT THE AIRPORT THE U.S. DELEGATION WAS SEEN OFF BY THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE SRC WHO IS ALSO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SRC'S ECONOMIC COMMITTEE, JAALLE MAJOR GENERAL HUSSEIN KULMIYE AFRAH, THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH JAALLE DR. MOHAMED ALI NUR, OTHER GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND OFFICIALS FROM THE U.S. EMBASSY HERE. UNQTE.
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